Marketing of Drugs Manufactured by Small Scale Units

665. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1317 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th January, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that small scale units are exempt from price control on Category-II drugs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a number of organised sector units are marketing their products after getting them manufactured from small scale units without price approval or higher then the fixed prices;

(c) what is the policy of Government in this regard and what are the names of such products; and

(d) when were these cases brought to the notice of his Ministry and what action has been taken on each?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) Yes, Sir. Small Scale Sector units are exempt from Price Control in respect of Category II formulations subject to certain conditions contained in the order S.O. 719(E) dated 21.7.1988.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. Some such instances have come to the notice of Government on which investigations are at different stages. The requisite details to the extent available in this regard are given in the annexed statement.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the formulation	Month and Year when violation was noted	Action taken
1.	Combiflam Tablets	August, 1988	Based on the details provided by the company, the amount of unintended benefit was calculated and brought to the notice of the company with the advice to deposit the same with the Government. The company has, however, moved the Calcutta High Court
2.	Magalol Tablets	December, 1989	The company has been asked to furnish details to enable the Government to work out the overcharged amount. This company was also given a personal hearing.
3.	Proxivon Capsules	August, 1988	Despite reminders/personal hearing, the company has not furnished the requisite details. They have been given final opportunity before Govt. takes action for penal proceedings against them.
4.	Butaproxivon Capsules		
5.	Spasmo Prozyvon Capsules		
6.	Ibudex Capsules		
7.	Analflam Tablets	1990	The company has been asked to give reasons for overcharging.
8.	Flagyl i.v. injuctions	December, 1989	Certain clarification is awaited from the company.
9.	Brustan Tablets	1990	The company has been asked to furnished certain details for examining the case in detail.